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SETTING UP OF AYURVEDIC PARKS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Ayurvedic Parks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the State-wise locations identified so far for the same and the time by which such Parks are likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) No Sir. However, a Central Sector Scheme for development of AYUSH has been launched in the 11th Five Year Plan to develop common facilities for drug manufacturing, testing and standardization. Grant will be given under the scheme by way of grant to the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), formed by group of entrepreneurs from AYUSH sector. The assistance will be restricted to 60 % of the Project Cost subject to a maximum of Rs 10.00 crores.The remaining 40% will be raised by the SPV through equity, borrowings from Banks/Financial Institutions and other sources.

The scheme would achieve following objectives: -

(a) to fill in the critical gaps in the sector especially related to standardization and quality assurance infrastructure and capacity building through a cluster based approach.

(b) to encourage associative behaviour in the sector for sustainability of cluster development approach.

So far three clusters based at Thrissur (Kerala), Nasik and Pune (Maharashtra) have been approved in principle.The scheme will be implemented in the 11th Five Year Plan period.